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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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For:

Production Of Oxidized Polysaccharide Derivative

And Oxidized Polyglycosamine Derivative

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Examiner:

L. Maier

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop: Amendment (Fee) Commissioner For Patents

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit the filing of a response within the third month subsequent to the expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed May 16, 2003.

A payment in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 396.41133X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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